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Application No. 09/496,405-Conf. #6155		Filing [ February 2		Examiner T. J. Henn		Art Unit 2612
Applicant(s): Michiaki UCHIKAWA						
Invention: IMAGE FILE APPARATUS						
MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.						
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Independent Claims	3	- 3 =		x		
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable)						
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## **AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated February 23, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1-7, 9-15, and 17-20, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which beings on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.